

# FACT SHEET



## Oak Grove Village Superfund Site Oak Grove Village, Missouri

October 2001

### INTRODUCTION

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to add the Oak Grove Village Well site to the National Priorities List, or NPL. The NPL is a published list of hazardous waste sites in the country that are eligible for extensive, long-term clean-up action under the Superfund Program. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), who is leading the investigation on this Site, concurs with this action. EPA is asking the public for comments on the addition.

The site is being proposed to the NPL because high concentrations of contaminants have been detected in the Oak Grove Village well, forcing closure of the well.

### BACKGROUND

The Oak Grove Village Well site is located in Oak Grove Village, Franklin County, Missouri. MDNR identified the Oak Grove Village Well site in June 1986, during routine water sampling. An unattributed and undefined ground water plume of trichloroethylene (TCE) was detected as a result of the sampling of Oak Grove Village's only municipal water well.

Since initial detection, TCE continues to be found in the municipal well in amounts above safe drinking water levels. The well is currently disconnected and the Village is purchasing water

### **Public Comment Period**

EPA is requesting comments from the public on the site addition. Comments will be taken through November 13, 2001.

Please send your comments to:

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from the City of Sullivan.

In June 1986, MDNR began sampling the Oak Grove Village well and distribution points on a quarterly basis. Due to elevated TCE levels, the well was closed from July 1991 to September 1992, when it was reopened. MDNR continued quarterly sampling and closed the well again in January 1994, due to elevated concentrations of TCE. The well has been capped since the final closure.

### SITE ACTIVITIES

Early inspections conducted by EPA and MDNR focused on identifying the sources of the TCE ground water plume. The contamination could not be conclusively attributed to any one potential source.

A TCE ground water plume in Sullivan currently poses a threat to the Sullivan municipal drinking water wells. A link between the Sullivan and Oak Grove Village plumes has not been determined. Over 6,000 people currently receive drinking water from the Sullivan municipal wells or private wells located within four miles of the Oak Grove Village Well site.

In the fall of 2000, work began on the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS). MDNR sampled the Village's well and private wells, at no cost to the well owners, in and around Oak Grove Village. MDNR also hired a consultant to assist on the RI/FS. In the year 2001, work continues with sampling of the Oak Grove Village's well and private wells, at no cost to the well owners. Discrete samples are being taken at specific intervals to determine the depth at which contamination is entering the Village's well.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information about the site and the addition to the NPL is available for public review at the following locations:

Oak Grove Village City Hall  
260 James Street  
Oak Grove Village, MO 63080

MDNR  
Hazardous Waste Program  
1738 E. Elm  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

EPA Region 7  
Superfund Records Center  
901 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

If you have questions about the site or the addition to the NPL, please contact:

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